

(b) if not, the estimate in this regard; and

(c) the number of such children in each State in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) There is no definite estimate of the number of street children in the country as street children are generally mobile in nature.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Implementation of Dowry Prohibition Act

3021. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL:

SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the implementation of the Dowry Prohibition Act has not been satisfactory so far;

(b) if so, how many cases has been lodged with the prohibition officers appointed under the Act in the Capital since its enforcement and in how many cases action has been taken;

(c) whether it is a fact that thousands of cases of dowry harassment has been registered with various police stations in the Capital but no action has been taken under the Dowry Prohibition Act; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) to (d) As per the statistical data compiled by the National Crime Records Bureau, Ministry of Home Affairs, the information regarding the number of cases reported, cases pending trial from previous years, cases charge-sheeted, cases tried, cases convicted and cases acquitted under the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 in Delhi during 2003 to 2005 is given in the Statement.

Statement

*Number of cases reported, cases charge sheeted, cases tried, cases convicted and cases acquitted under Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 in Delhi during 2003 to 2005**

Year	Cases reported	Cases pending trial from previous years	Cases charge-sheeted	Cases where trial completed	Cases convicted	Cases acquitted
2003	14	73	9	1	1	0
2004	11	81	4	0	0	0
2005	9	85	7	24	5	19

*Data of cases tried/cases convicted and acquitted include pending cases from previous year.

Implementation of Domestic Violence Act

3022. SHRI SYED AZEEZ PASHA:
SHRI K.E. ISMAIL:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the district level officers of the social welfare department have expressed their unwillingness to be appointed as protection officers under the Domestic Violence (Prohibition) Act, 2006 affecting the implementation of the said Act in the Capital; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the alternative steps being taken to see that the Domestic Violence (Prohibition) Act is implemented properly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) In terms of Section 8 of the Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005, the State Governments have been vested with the power to appoint Protection Officers under the Act. The implementation of the Act